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#### Recorded by JUICE NEWTON

## THE SWEETEST THING

(I've Ever Known)









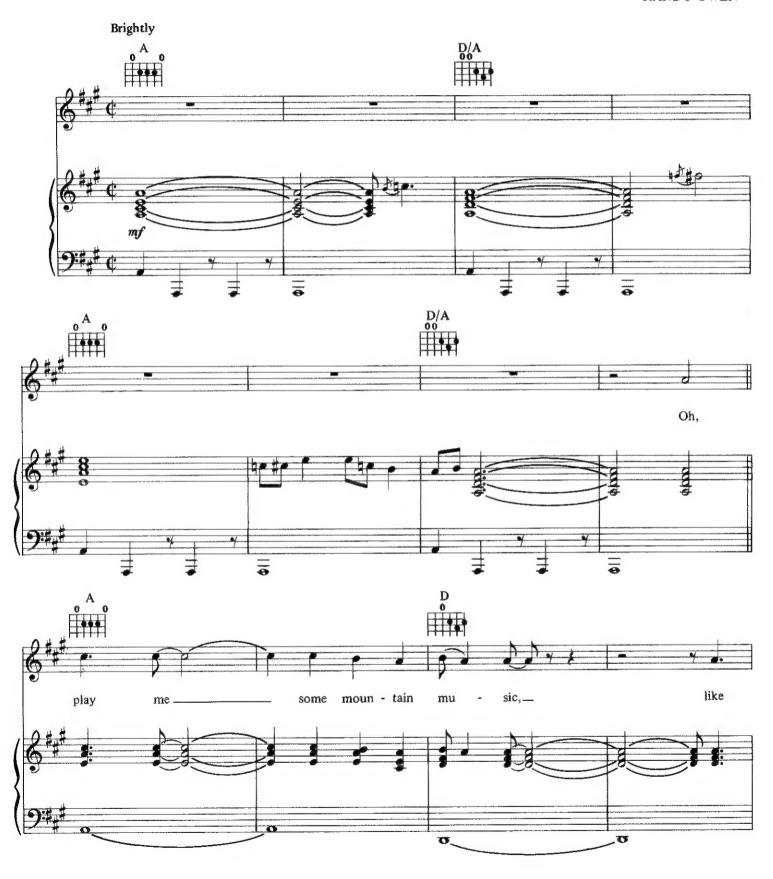




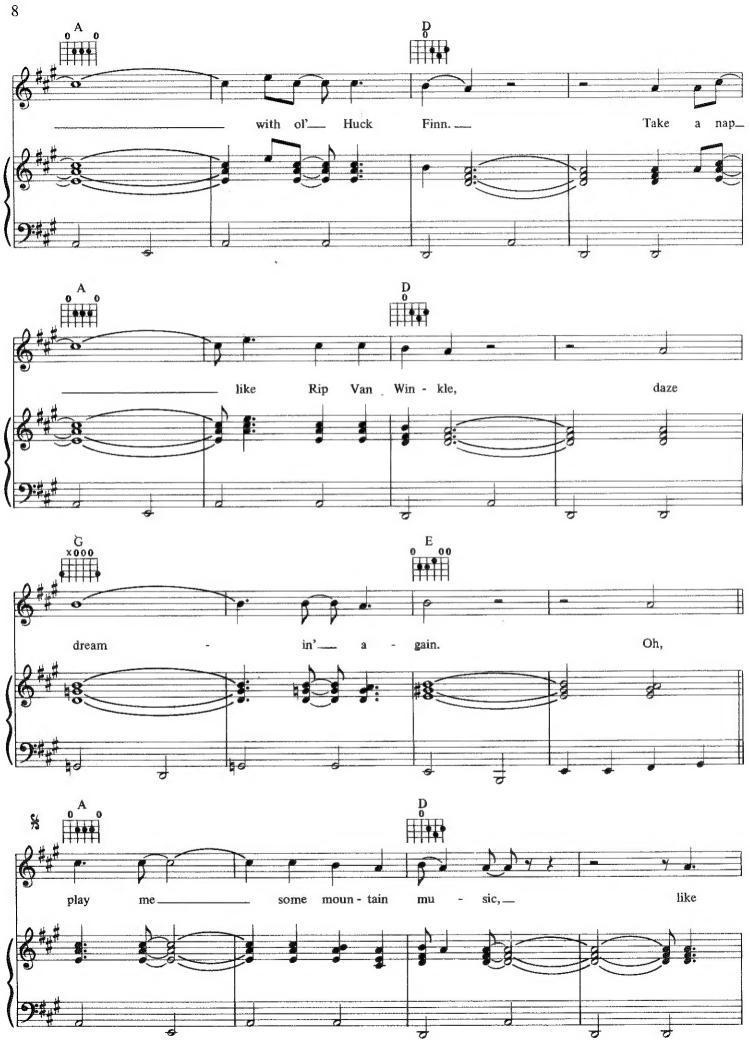
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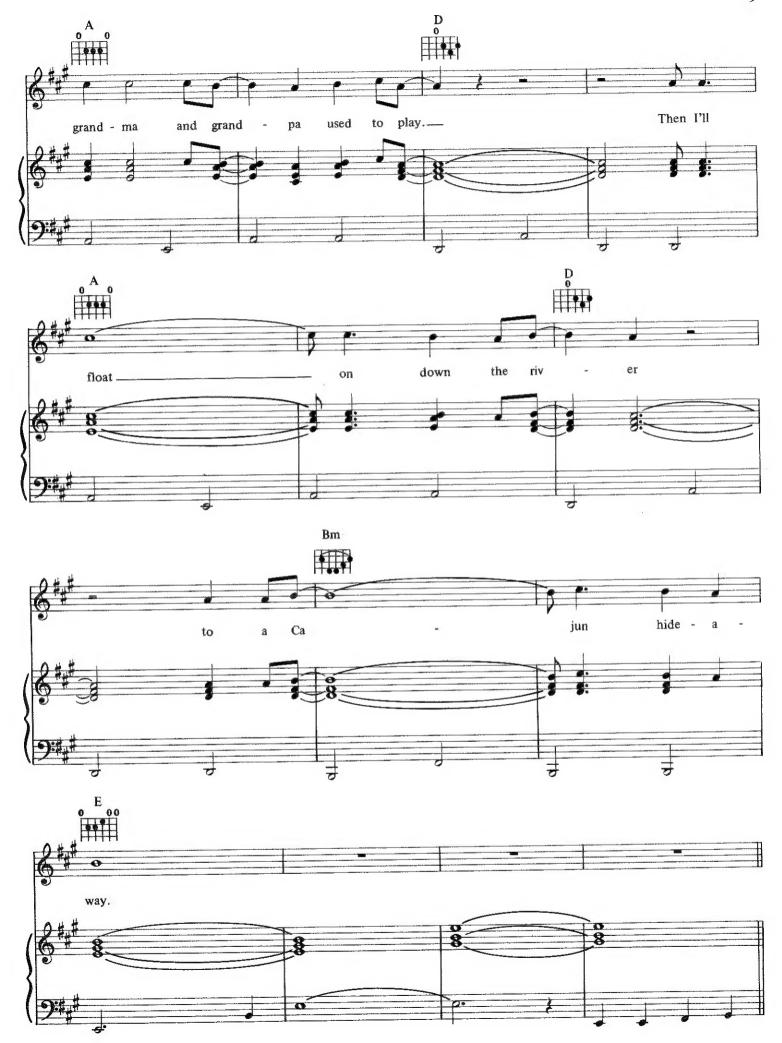
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Words and Music by RANDY OWEN









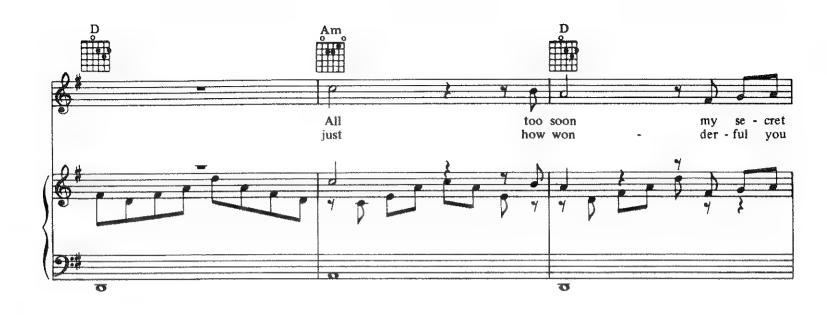


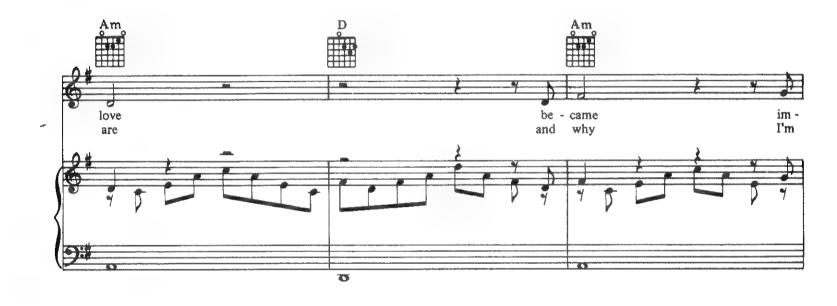


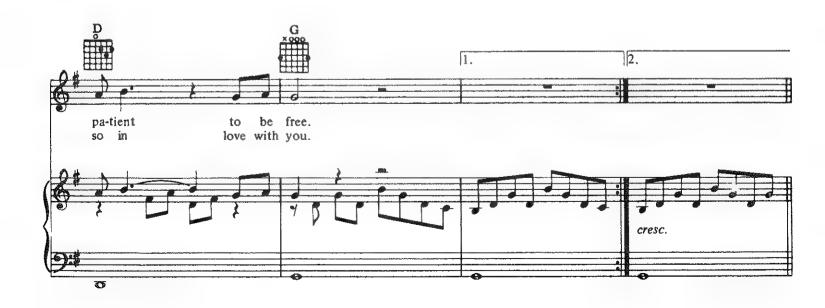
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# **SECRET LOVE**





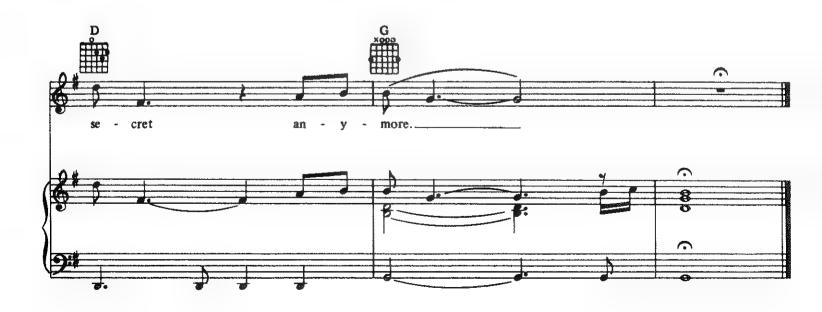












## **ALMOST PERSUADED**

Words and Music by GLENN SUTTON and BILLY SHERRILL







#### Recorded by ANNE MURRAY

## COULD I HAVE THIS DANCE

(from the film "URBAN COWBOY")







# LOVE THE WORLD AWAY

(from the film "URBAN COWBOY")

Words and Music by BOB MORRISON and JOHNNY WILSON









# HELP ME MAKE IT THROUGH THE NIGHT





# THE HAPPIEST GIRL IN THE WHOLE U.S.A.







Recorded by LARRY GATLIN & THE GATLIN BROTHERS BAND

# ALL THE GOLD IN CALIFORNIA



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#### Recorded by DON WILLIAMS

# I'M JUST A COUNTRY BOY





#### Recorded by ROGER MILLER

## ME AND BOBBY McGEE







#### Recorded by CHARLEY PRIDE

## KISS AN ANGEL GOOD MORNIN'

Words and Music by BEN PETERS



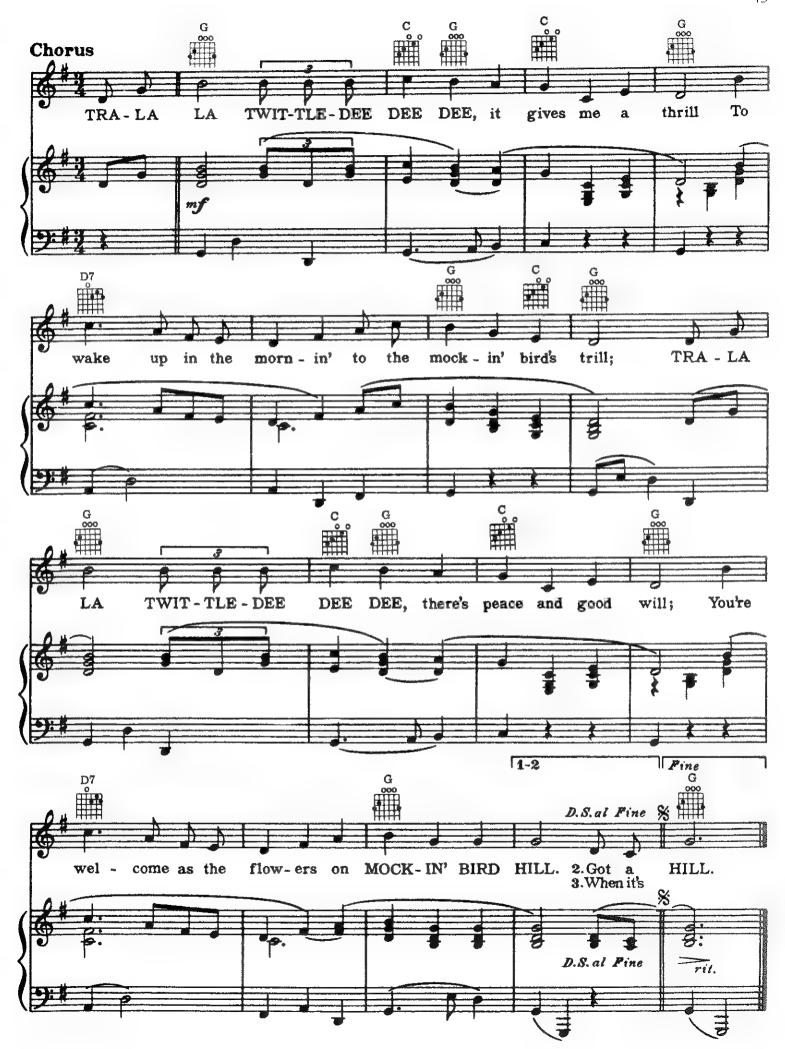




## MOCKIN' BIRD HILL

Words and Music by VAUGHN HORTON

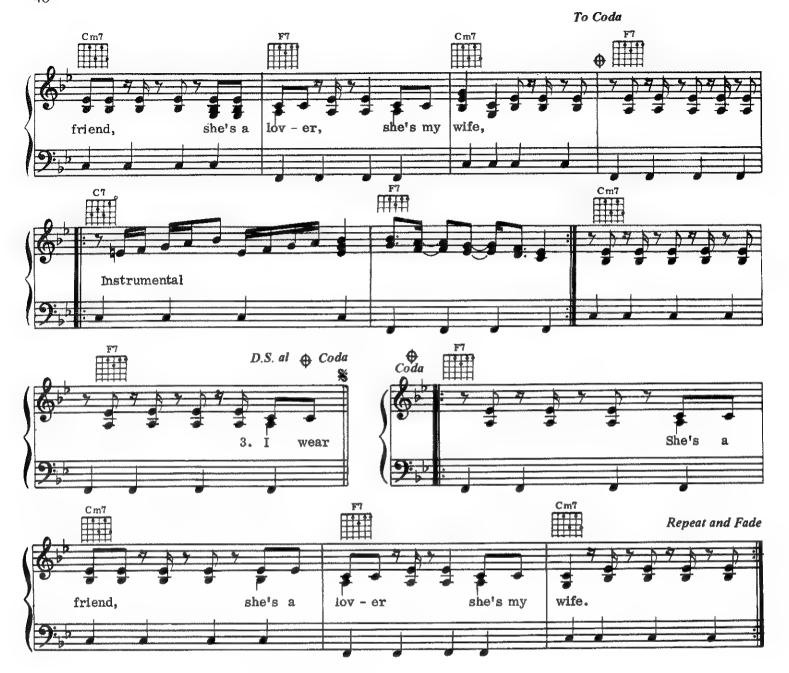




# FRIEND, LOVER, WIFE







- But I'll take a drink,
   Lord and I'll have a smoke.
   And I've told some downright filthy jokes.
   I've been known to hang out till the morning light.
   Been known to get high, tryin' to get right.
   But that's just me, son, that's just me.
- 3. I wear jeans, and she wears silk.
  I like beer, and she likes milk.
  She can be soft like a summer rain,
  But lock them doors at night, she's a hurricane.
  She's a friend, she's a lover, she's my wife.

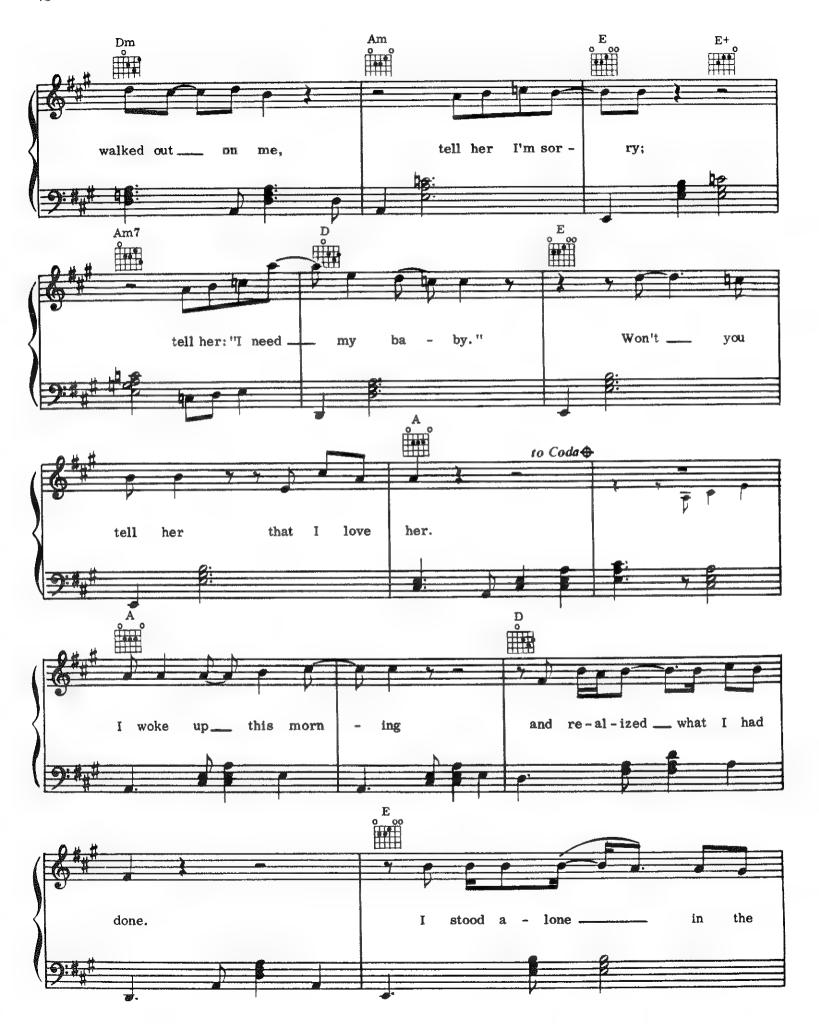
#### 2nd Chorus:

Lord, it's still a mystery, what she sees in me. She said, long as I want her, she'll never set me free. She's the damnedest thing that ever walked into my life. She's a friend, she's a lover, she's my wife.

#### Recorded by CHARLIE RICH

## THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL









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## MR. BOJANGLES

Words and Music by JERRY JEFF WALKER







# A RAINY NIGHT IN GEORGIA

By TONY JOE WHITE







3. I find me a place in a box car,
So I take out my guitar to pass some time;
Late at night when it's hard to rest,
I hold your picture to my chest, and I'm all right;
(CHORUS)

#### Recorded by TAMMY WYNETTE

### LAURA

(What's He Got That I Ain't Got)

Words and Music by LEON ASHLEY and MARGIE SINGLETON







#### Recorded by CONWAY TWITTY

### **SLOW HAND**

Words and Music by
MICHAEL CLARK and JOHN BETTIS









# YOU DECORATED MY LIFE

Words and Music by BOB MORRISON and DEBBIE HUPP







# RECORDED BY JOHNNY CASH RING OF FIRE

Words and Music by
MERLE KILGORE and JUNE CARTER









#### Recorded by TAMMY WYNETTE

## STAND BY YOUR MAN

Words and Music by TAMMY WYNETTE and BILLY SHERRILL





# IT'S ALL IN THE GAME

Words by CARL SIGMAN Music by GEN. CHARLES G. DAWES





# Recorded by LARRY GATLIN WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS STATUES WITHOUT HEARTS

Words and Music by LARRY GATLIN







Recorded by TAMMY WYNETTE

# TIL I CAN MAKE IT ON MY OWN







Verse 5:

But 'til then, Lord, you know I'm gonna need a friend.
'Til I get used to losing you, let me keep on using you,
'Til I can make it on my own.

### KIDS









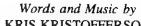
# VAYA CON DIOS (May God Be With You)





#### Recorded by KRIS KRISTOFFERSON

### WHY ME?







### LOOKIN' FOR LOVE

(from the film "URBAN COWBOY")

Words and Music by
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### Recorded by NARVEL FELTS

# **EVERLASTING LOVE**

Words and Music by BUZZ CASON and MAC GAYDEN







#### Recorded by DON WILLIAMS

### **MIRACLES**

Words and Music by ROGER COOK

Moderately slow, in 2







#### Recorded by DON WILLIAMS

# LISTEN TO THE RADIO

Words and Music by FRED O. KNIPE

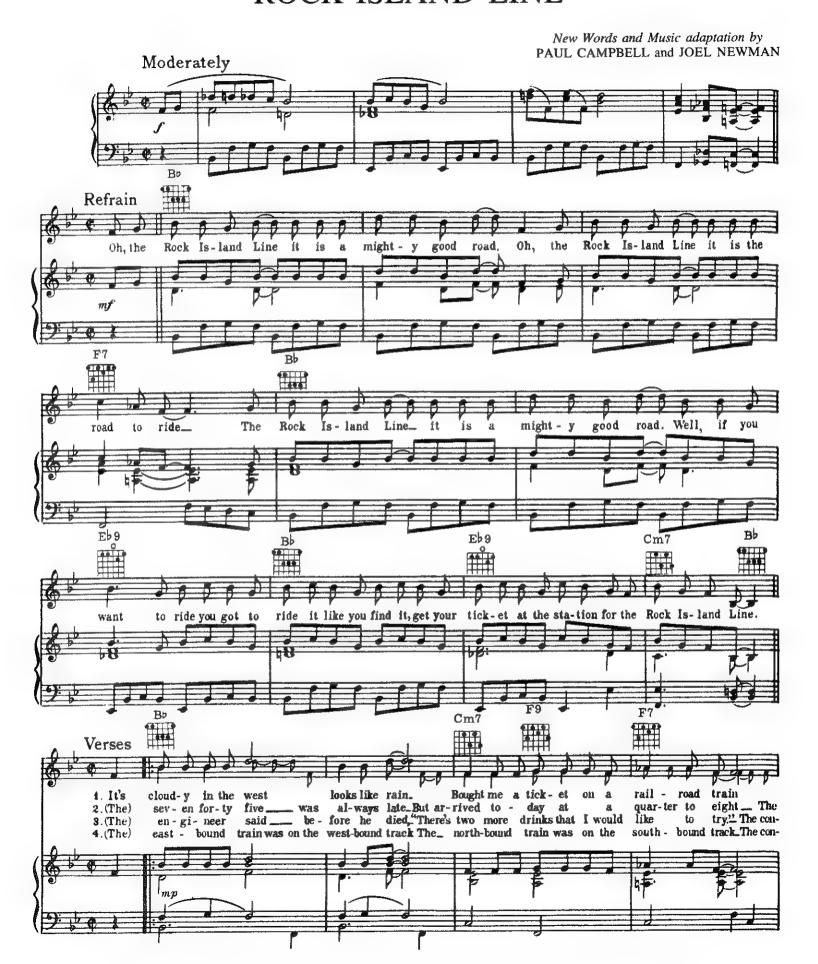






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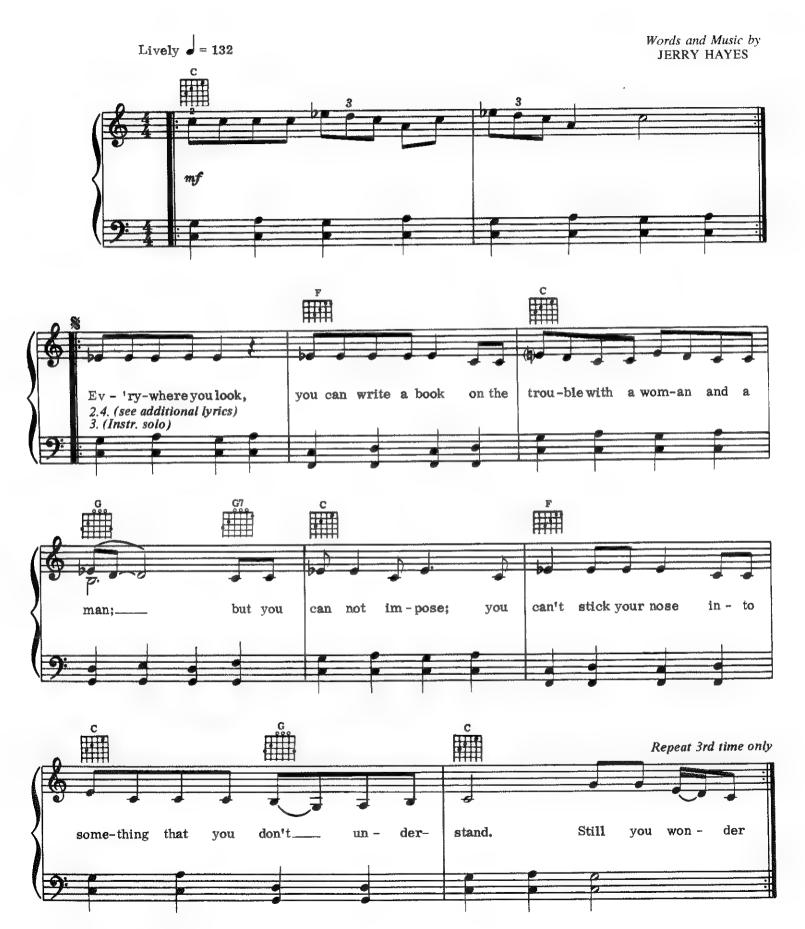
### **ROCK ISLAND LINE**





#### Recorded by CHARLY McCLAIN

### WHO'S CHEATIN' WHO





I thought I knew him well; I really couldn't tell That he had another lover on his mind. You see it felt so right when he held me tight; How could I be so blind?

But still you wonder ... (To Chorus:)

#### Verse 4:

A heart is on the line each and every time Love is stolen in the shadows of the night. Though it's wrong all along, it keeps going on As long as they keep out of sight. But still you wonder ... (To Chorus:)

# YOU'RE THE ONLY STAR





#### Recorded by TAMMY WYNETTE

## TAKE ME TO YOUR WORLD

Words and Music by BILLY SHERRILL and GLENN SUTTON

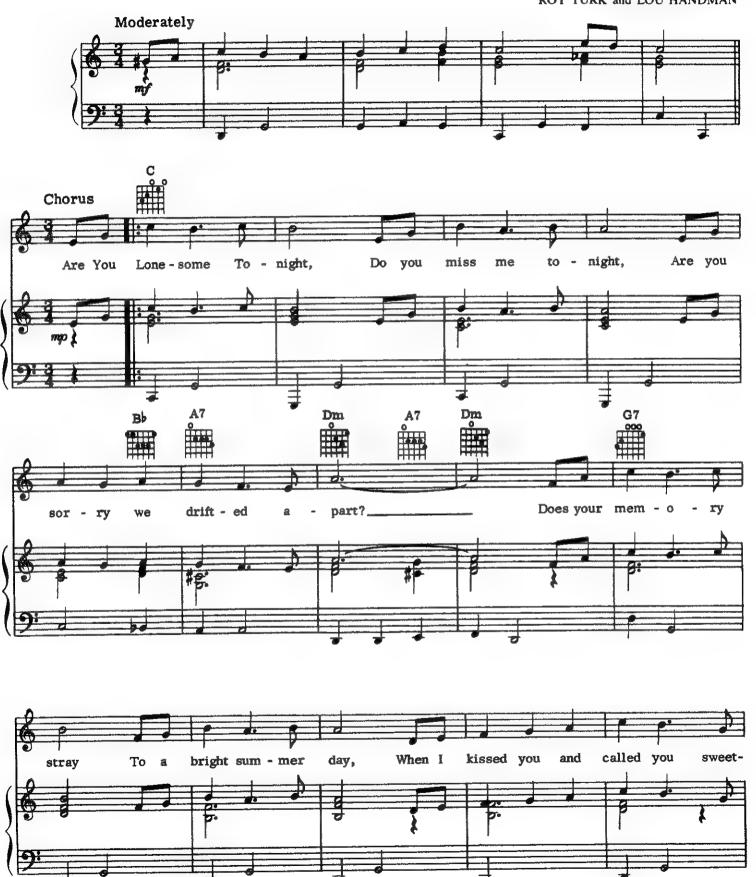




Recorded by ELVIS PRESLEY

### ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT?

Words and Music by ROY TURK and LOU HANDMAN



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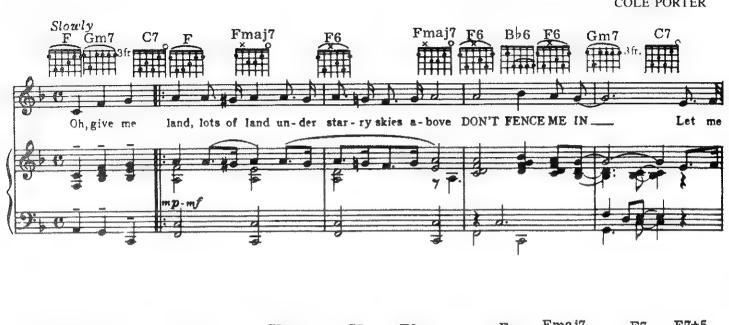
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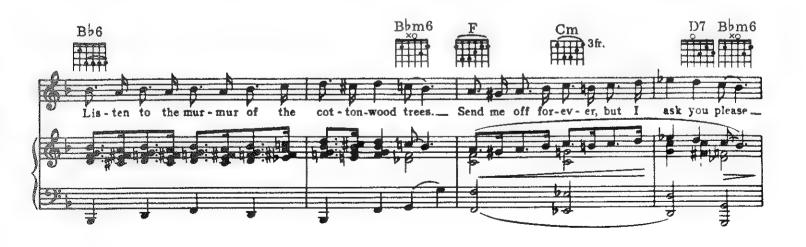


# Recorded by WILLIE NELSON & LEON RUSSELL DON'T FENCE ME IN

Words and Music by COLE PORTER









#### Recorded by GEORGE JONES

### THE GRAND TOUR







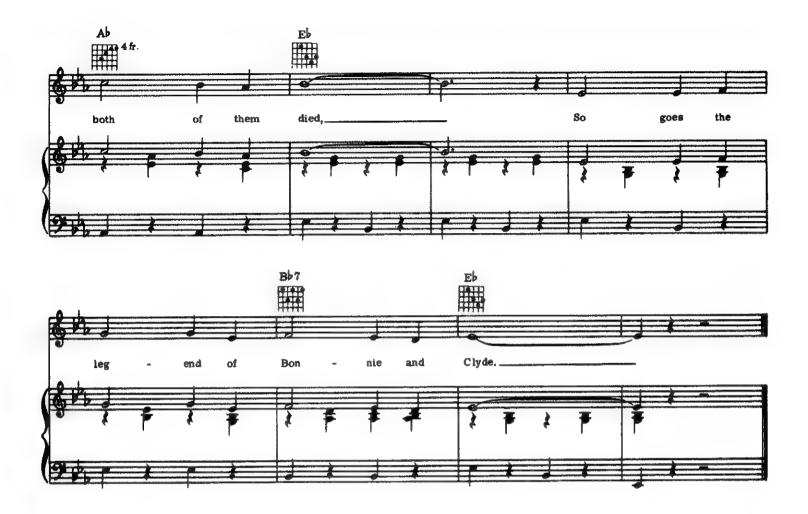


Recorded by MERLE HAGGARD

## THE LEGEND OF BONNIE AND CLYDE

Words and Music by
MERLE HAGGARD and BONNIE OWENS





- The poem that she wrote of the life that they led Told of the lawmen left dying or dead, Some say that Clyde made her life a shame, But the legend made Bonnie the head of the game.
- 3. The rampage grew wilder with each passing day, The odds growing smaller with each get-away. With the end growing closer, the harder they fought, With blood on their hands they were bound to get caught.
- 4. They drove back from town on one bright summer day, When a man they befriended stepped out in the way, With no thought of dying they pulled to the side, But death lay there waiting for Bonnie and Clyde.
- Two years of running was ended that day,
   For robbing and killing they both had to pay,
   But we'll always remember how they lived and died,
   So goes the legend of Bonnie and Clyde.

## HAVE YOU EVER BEEN LONELY?

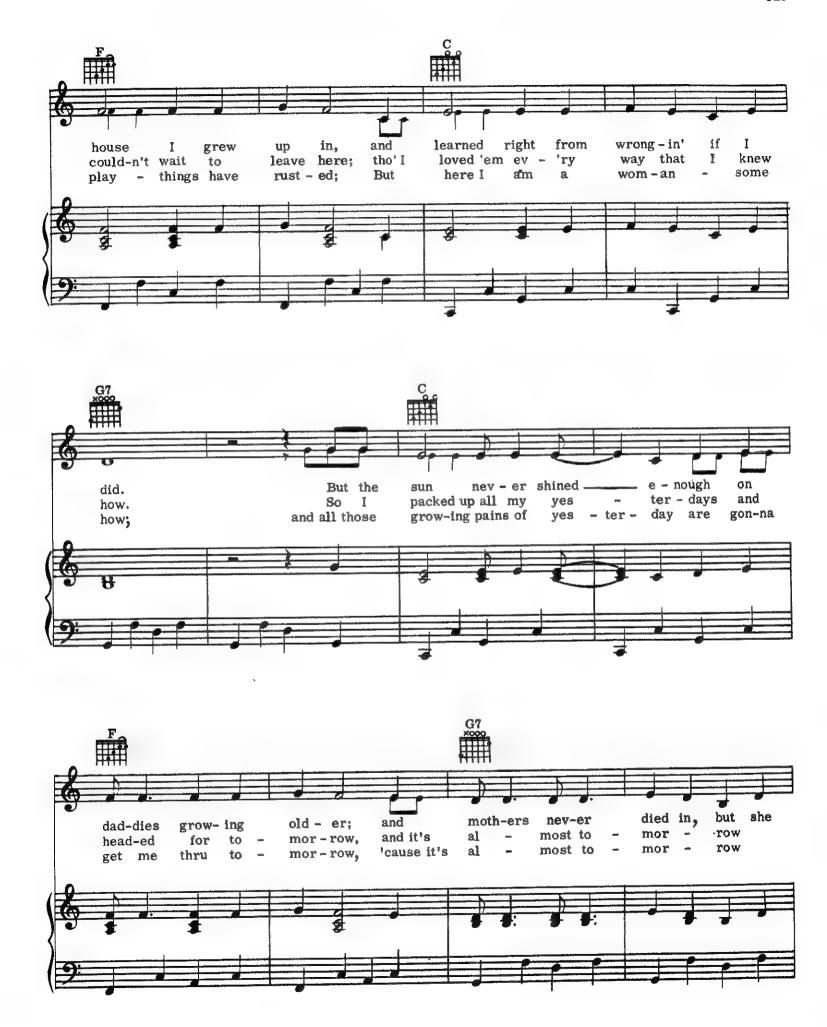
(Have You Ever Been Blue)





# LITTLE GIRL GONE





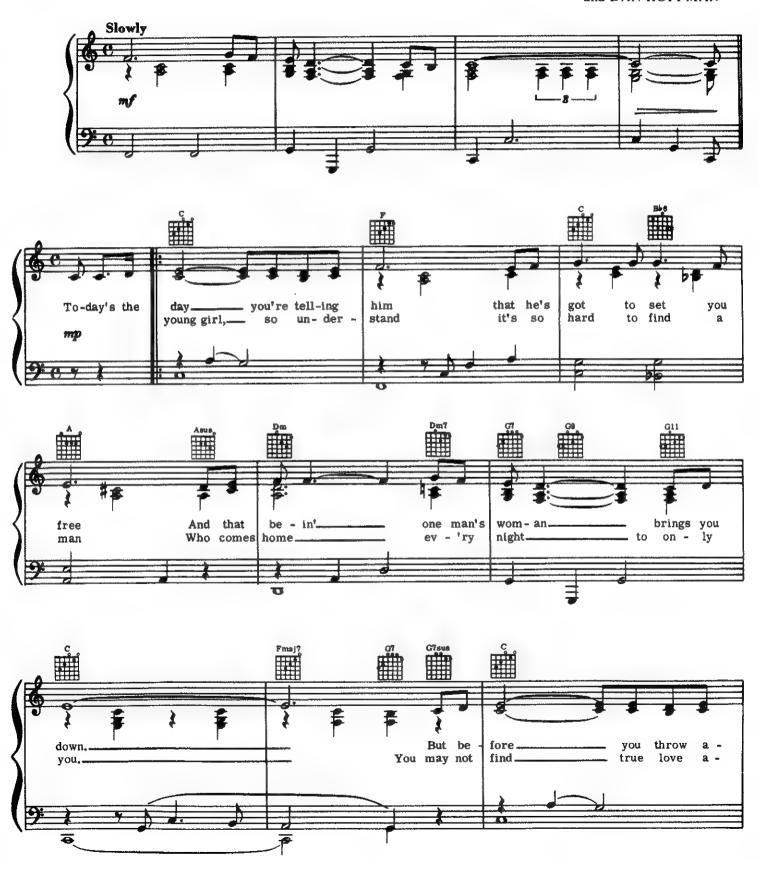


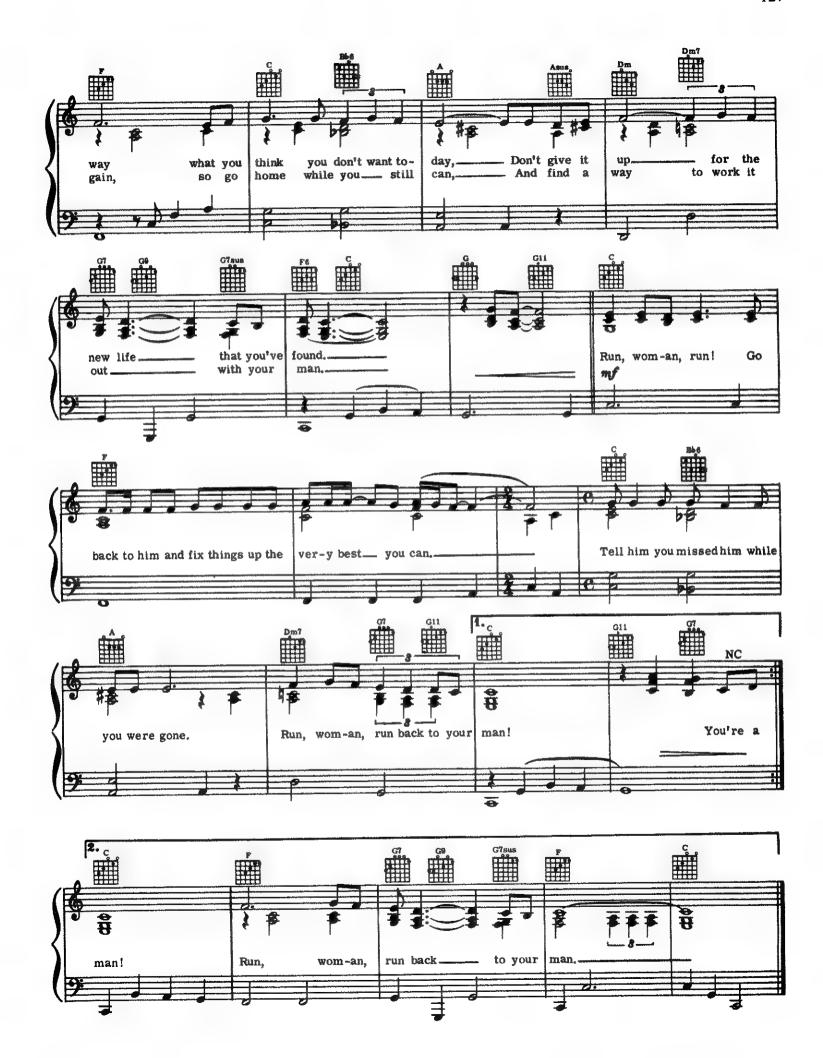


#### Recorded by TAMMY WYNETTE

## RUN, WOMAN, RUN

Words and Music by ANN BOOTH, DUKE GOFF and DAN HOFFMAN





### **BIRD DOG**

Words and Music by BOUDLEAUX BRYANT



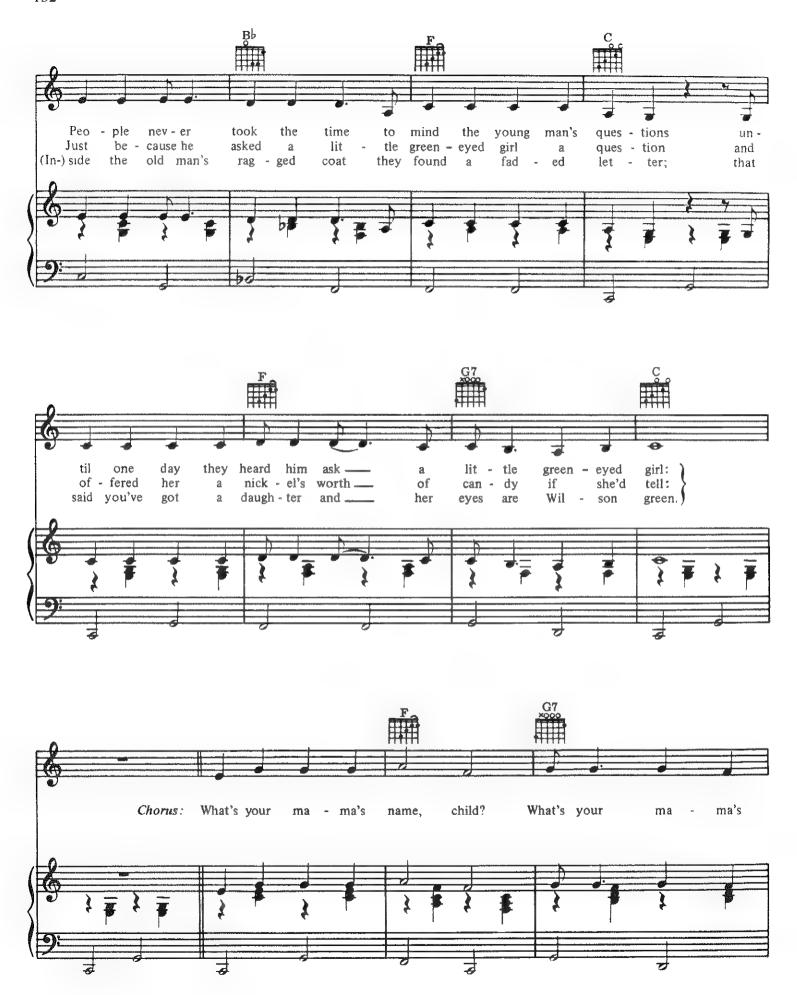




- 2. Johnny sings a love song (Like a bird)
  He sings the sweetest love song (You ever heard)
  But when he sings to my gal (What a howl)
  To me he's just a wolf dog (On the prowl)
  Johnny wants to fly away and puppy love my baby
  (He's a bird dog)
- 3. Johnny kissed the teacher (He's a bird)
  He tiptoed up to reach her (He's a bird)
  Well, he's the teacher's pet now (He's a dog)
  What he wants he can get now (What a dog)
  He even made the teacher let him sit next to my baby.
  (He's a bird dog)

# WHAT'S YOUR MAMA'S NAME, CHILD







#### Recorded by GEORGE JONES

### THE DOOR

Words and Music by
NORRIS WILSON and BILLY SHERRILL







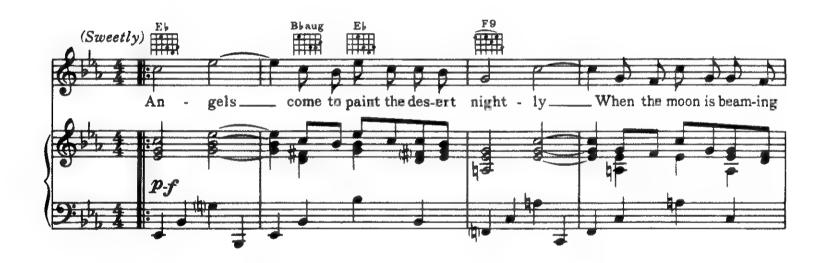
#### Recorded by BOB EBERLE

## ALONG THE SANTA FE TRAIL

Words by
AL DUBIN and EDWINA COOLIDGE

Music by WILL GROSZ









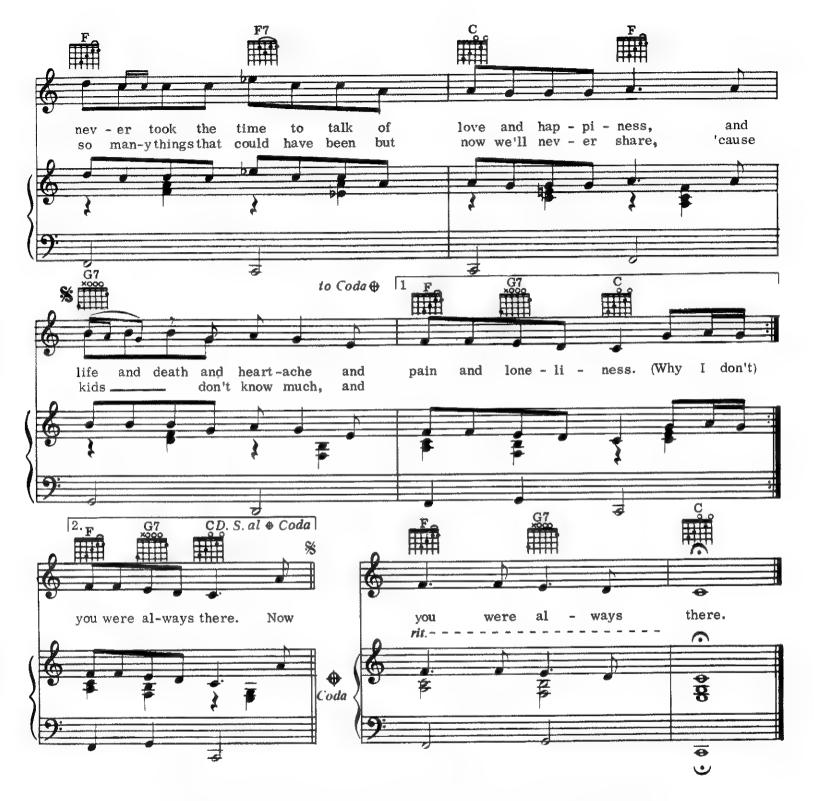


#### Recorded by DONNA FARGO

## YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE



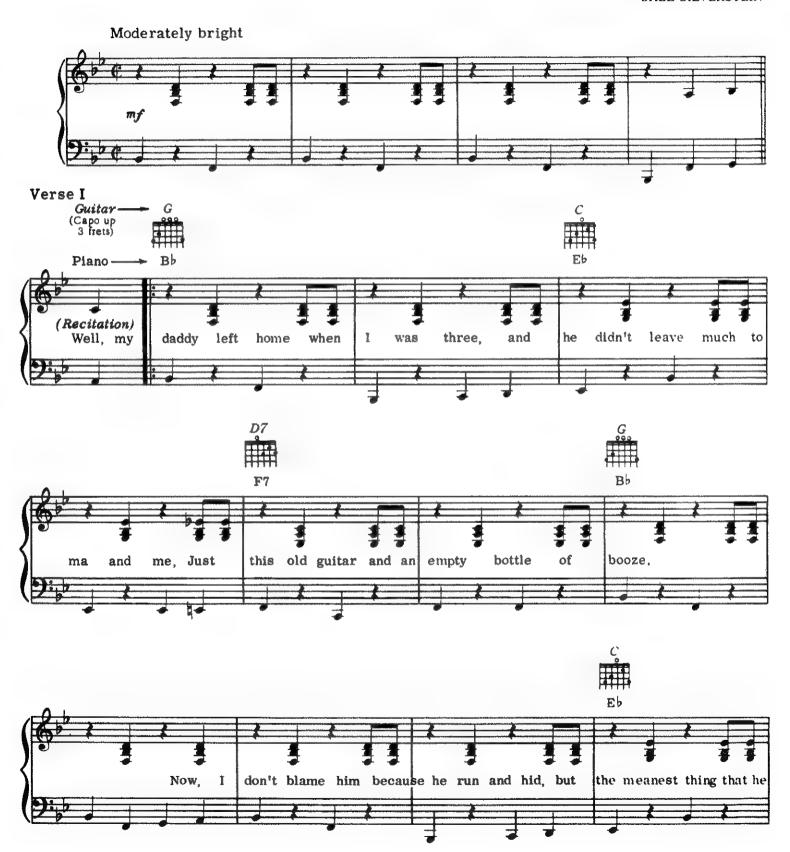


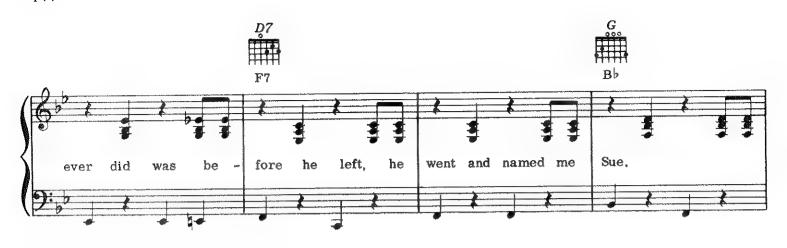


- 3. Why, I don't even know if you were happy or if you could have been; Or if you could have one wish, what would it be; Or what would you do differently if you could live again; And were you glad that you gave life to me.
- 4. And I'd give anything to tell you I'm glad that you were born; But you'll never hear the words I've learned to say; Cause before I got to know you, you died of loneliness; And they tell me I grew up and moved away.

# A BOY NAMED SUE

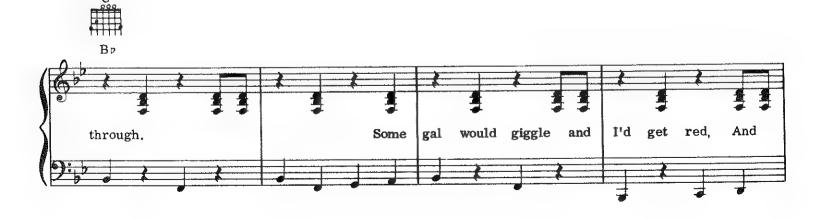
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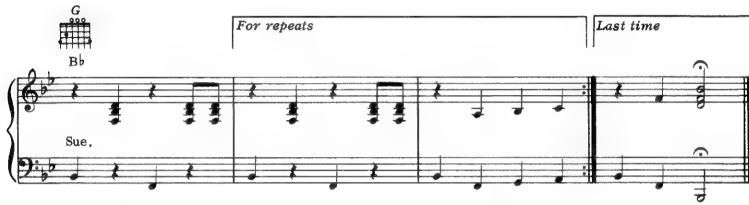












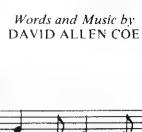
- 3. (Well,) I grew up quick and I grew up mean, My fist got hard and my wits got keen, Roamed from town to town to hide my shame. But I made me a vow to the moon and stars: I'd search the honky tonks and bars and kill that man that give me that awful name.
- 4. But it was Gatlinburg in mid-July and I had just hit town and my throat was dry, I'd thought I'd stop and have myself a brew. At an old saloon on a street of mud And at a table dealing stud sat the dirty, mangy dog that named me Sue.
- 5. Well, I knew that snake was my own sweet dad from a worn-out picture that my mother had, And I knew that scar on his cheek and his evil eye. He was big and bent and gray and old, And I looked at him and my blood ran cold, and I said 'My name is Sue. How do you do. Now you're gonna die," Yeah, that's what I told him.
- 6. Well, I hit him right between the eyes and he went down, but to my surprise he come up with a knife And cut off a piece of my ear. But I busted a chair right across his teeth, And we crashed through the wall and into the street, Kicking and a-gouging in the mud and the blood and the beer.
- 7. I tell you I've fought tougher men but I really can't remember when,
  He kicked like a mule and he bit like a crocodile. I heard him laughin' and then I heard him cussin',
  He went for his gun and I pulled mine first. He stood there looking at me and I saw him smile.
- 8. And he said, "Son, this world is rough and if a man's gonna make it, he's gotta be tough; And I knew I wouldn't be there to help you along. So I give you that name and I said 'Goodbye;' I knew you'd have to get tough or die. And it's that name that helped to make you strong."
- 9. "Yeah," he said, "Now you have just fought one helluva fight, and I know you hate me and you've got the right to kill me now, and I wouldn't blame you if you do. But you ought to thank me before I die for the gravel in your guts and the spit in your eye because I'm the \_\_\_\_ that named you Sue."

Yeah, what could I do? What could I do?

10. I got all choked up and I threw down my gun. Called him a pa and he called me a son, And I come away with a different point of view. And I think about him now and then. Every time I tried, every time I win and if I ever have a son I think I am gonna name him Bill or George — anything but Sue.

#### Recorded by JOHNNY PAYCHECK

# TAKE THIS JOB AND SHOVE IT









#### Recorded by TAMMY WYNETTE

# THE WAYS TO LOVE A MAN







#### Recorded by GLEN CAMPBELL

# DREAMS OF THE EVERYDAY HOUSEWIFE







#### Recorded by JODY MILLER

### THE HOUSE OF THE RISING SUN



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## WAKE UP LITTLE SUSIE

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